

REMARKS

Claims 1-4 are currently pending in this application. A Terminal Disclaimer is filed herewith. The Specification has been amended to correct an obvious typographical error. Language from paragraphs [0169] – [0170] has been moved to its correct location at paragraph [0180]. The language was correctly filed in the parent application, U.S. Patent Application No. 10/173,903, filed June 17, 2002 (now U.S. Patent No. 6,724,708 B2). Accordingly, no new matter has been added.

Double Patenting

The Examiner has rejected claims 1-4 under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-10 of U.S. Patent No. 6,724,708 B2 (“the ‘708 patent”).

Filed herewith is a Terminal Disclaimer in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.321(b)-(c) setting forth the identity of the Assignee and disclaiming the terminal portion of any patent that issues in the present application beyond the expiration date of the ‘708 patent.

Accordingly, the rejection of claims 1-4 under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting has been overcome and should be withdrawn.

CONCLUSION

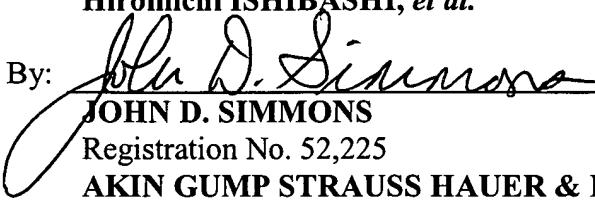
In view of the foregoing Amendment and Remarks, it is respectfully submitted that the present application, including claims 1-4, is in condition for allowance and such action is respectfully requested.

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